Upgradation of State Highways to NHs

1294. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to upgrade certain State Highways to the status of National Highways in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise;

(c) the total length of National Highways in the country; State-wise;

(d) the total length of State Highways in the entire country and the ratio of National Highways to State Highways;

(e) the details of funds sanctioned and disbursed in the country, State-wise during the last three years; and

(f) the target fixed for connecting roads with the National Highways during 2004-05?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) and (b) Upgrading State Highways as National Highways is currently not a priority for the Government since the emphasis is on development of the existing National Highways which suffer from many deficiencies.

(c) The total length of National Highways in the country State-wise is given in Statement-I (*See* below).

(d) The total length of State Highways in the entire country is 1,33,000 kms. approximately and the ratio of National Highways to State Highways is 1: 1.885 approximately.

(e) The details of funds sanctioned and disbursed in the country, State-wise during the last three years are given in the Statement-II (*See* below).

(f) No such target was fixed.

Statement-I

State-wise national highways and their length in the country

Sl. No.	Name of State	Total Length in km.
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	4537
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1992
3	Assam	2836
4	Bihar	3642
5	Chandigarh	24

1	2	3
6	Chhattisgarh	2184
7	Delhi	72
8	Goa	269
9	Gujarat	3245
10	Haryana	1512
11	Himachal Pradesh	1409
12	Jammu & Kashmir	1245
13	Jharkhand	1805
14	Karnataka	4396
15	Kerala	1457
16	Madhya Pradesh	4670
17	Maharashtra	4176
18	Manipur	959
19	Meghalaya	810
20	Mizoram	927
21	Nagaland	494
22	Orissa	3704
23	Puducherry	53
24	Punjab	1557
25	Rajasthan	5585
26	Sikkim	62
27	Tamil Nadu	4832
28	Tripura	400
29	Uttarakhand	2042
30	Uttar Pradesh	6774
31	West Bengal	2578
32	Andaman & Nicobar	300
	TOTAL	70548

Statement-II

State-wise details of funds sanctioned and disbursed in the country during the last three years

(Rupees in crore)

Sl. No.	State/ Union Territory	2006-07		2007-08		2008-09	
		Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure (upto 31/03/09)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Andhra Pradesh	58.41	58.06	76.00	75.89	187.31	187.31
2	Arunachal Pradesh	8.30	8.29	6.00	5.65	1.10	1.10
3	Assam	77.25	76.49	86.00	85.24	86.30	86.30
4	Bihar	97.20	97.13	83.00	82.89	91.10	91.10
5	Chandigarh	1.00	0.96	2.00	2.00	3.39	3.39
6	Chhattisgarh	37.00	36.19	39.00	38.78	63.66	63.66
7	Delhi	3.00	1.47	9.00	8.30	15.80	15.80
8	Goa	2.95	2.64	15.00	15.00	34.39	34.39
9	Gujarat	60.00	60.00	62.00	62.00	97.00	97.00
10	Haryana	64.00	64.00	81.25	81.24	103.23	103.23
11	Himachal Pradesh	39.50	39.44	57.00	57.00	76.21	76.21
12	Jammu & Kashmir	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	Jharkhand	34.86	35.00	57.25	57.24	96.41	96.41
14	Karnataka	85.00	84.84	99.50	99.48	211.79	211.79
15	Kerala	55.00	54.44	50.00	50.00	62.74	62.74
16	Madhya Pradesh	84.09	82.92	65.00	64.98	92.97	92.97
17	Maharashtra	148.75	148.75	133.79	133.79	187.90	187.50
18	Manipur	14.65	14.65	12.00	10.24	23.65	23.65
19	Meghalaya	24.50	24.31	22.00	22.33	50.77	50.77
20	Mizoram	15.53	15.53	15.00	15.00	13.55	13.55
21	Nagaland	11.82	11.81	12.00	10.20	30.60	30.60

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
22	Orissa	72.00	72.00	137.50	137.50	207.68	207.68
23	Puducherry	5.00	4.99	7.55	7.49	2.95	2.95
24	Punjab	72.00	72.00	82.90	82.90	154.00	154.00
25	Rsjasthan	75.00	74.38	99.00	98.98	209.91	209.91
26	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
27	Tamil Nadu	82.00	79.40	91.25	91.25	131.96	131.96
28	Tripura	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
29	Uttar Pradesh	91.40	91.32	130.00	130.00	215.64	215.64
30	Uttarakhand	52.75	52.64	38.95	38.94	109.51	109.51
31	West Bengal	47.00	46.77	58.00	57.99	95.30	95.30

Increase in Road Accidents

1295. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of road accidents and the casualties as a result thereof have gone up in the country during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the effective measures taken by Government to check the increasing number of road accidents;

(d) whether Government plans to introduce Highway Traffic Management System in all the States including Andhra Pradesh; and

(e) if so, the details therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MAHADEO SINGH KHANDELA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details of road accidents and casualties as a result thereof in the country for the calendar years 2005 to 2007 (the latest available data) are given in the Statement *(See* below). The road accidents are non random events which occur due to a complex mix of number of factors which *inter-allia* includes: (a) type of road users and volume of vehicular traffic, (b) environmental/road related factors like road visibility, road design and geometry, access control, intersections (area of traffic conflict), provision of segregation of non-motorized transport and heavy vehicle traffic, (c) vehicle related factors-visibility of vehicles, use of protective devices (helmets and seat belts) by vehicle occupants; problems with head and tail lights, mechanical failure etc, (d) nature of traffic management – use of automatic signals, traffic calming devices and (e) emergency care for accident victims.